

**UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Re: Application of: Johannes A. THOMASSEN  
Serial No.: Not yet known  
Filed: Simultaneously  
For: **SYSTEM FOR FILTERING FLUID,  
THE FILTER USED IN THIS SYSTEM**

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

August 21, 2001

Sir:

Prior to examination and calculation of the filing fee, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please amend claim 3 to read as follows.

3. A system for filtering fluids, according to claim 1, in which the filters which make up the plant are directly connected to each other without the need for external piping.

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*Marked-up version of claim 3 as amended.*

3. A system for filtering fluids, according to [the above claims] claim 1, in which the filters which make up the plant are directly connected to each other without the need for external piping.

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**REMARKS**

Claim 3 has been amended to remove a multiple dependency therefrom in order to reduce the filing fee.

Respectfully submitted,

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